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HE HAS A HARD ROW.
Who has more to contend with
than the farmer? If the weather
or insects, as often destroyed
my prospects of a square meal as
it does the farmer's, I'd go crazy.
The only explanation I can give
for his patience is that his neighbor
is in the same fix. It is said
that "misery loves company."

And the farmers have it.
In the Sand country the wheat
crop was exceptionally good, melons
are selling at unusually high
prices and the pea crop promises
well. But in the hills the wheat
crop was very short and now the
damage to corn will be a severe
blow.

Two weeks ago the prospects
for a bumper corn crop in this
county were never better. Every-
body talked about it, and all of us
felt good. Rain fell nearly all of
last week, followed by wind.
Where water was not standing in
the fields the earth was a mush.
In either case the corn was an
easy prey to the wind and much
of the crop is down and ruined.

Now flood threatens the farm-
ers along the river. The water
has been rising at the rate of an
inch an hour since Friday, and a
general overflow is expected.

A FEW FACTS.
From the Milwaukee Leader.
Forty-four American families
have incomes as large as the total
income of 400,000 workmen.
The Manly report of the United
States industrial commission has
emphasized the state of American
"preparedness" as no other in-
vestigation has ever shown.

Here are a few facts gleaned
from the report:
In the homes of 37 per cent of
American workmen three or
more persons sleep in a bedroom.
Thirty-seven per cent of the
wives of American workmen are
compelled to engage in work
outside of their household duties
to enable the family to live.

Half of the wage earners who
are supporting families receive
not more than fifty cents a
week.
Twenty per cent of the school
children of the working class are
underfed.

Babies of working class mothers
do not have half the chance of liv-
ing as the babies of mothers
whose economic condition enables
them to provide properly for their
care. The ratio of deaths is three
to one.

Who is it that is impeding the
family and breaking up the
home?

TWO SCOTT COUNTY

BOYS TO GO.
Two boys from Scott county
will be given free admission and
free board and lodging for the
full time of the Missouri State
Fair at Sedalia, September 25 to
October 2, 1915. All between the
ages of 12 and 17 are eligible.

On the fair grounds will be tents
to be occupied by the boys and a
large tent where teachers from the
various state schools will lecture
to the boys.
There will be at the disposal of
these instructors the best stores,
the best poultry, the best grain,
the best fruit, the best stock,
the best machinery—the best of every-
thing to be used as concrete mat-
terial with which to work.

In addition to this, one-half
day will be spent in an auto ride
over Pettis County under the di-
rection of Sam Jordan, the Farm
Agent, and the boys will see the
results of some practical work
done by the best farmers of the
state.

The examination to determine
who will represent Scott County
will be given by Superintendent
Montgomery on Friday, Septem-
ber 3rd. It will consist of five
questions, each of the following
subjects: Arithmetic, Geography
and Agriculture, and a 250 word
essay on "Leguminous Crops."

NORMAL OPENING.

The Missouri State Normal
School at Cape Girardeau, Missou-
ri, will open on Tuesday, Septem-
ber 14, 1915.

The people of this Normal School
District will find in their own
Normal School the best advantage
offered for getting a good edu-
cation and professional education.

The future leaders of Southeast
Missouri are being educated in
this school.

Students desiring an education
in the Languages and Literature,
Mathematics, Sciences, History
and Government, Agriculture
Home Economics, Music, Manual
Arts, Business Practice and spe-
cial education for teaching any of
these subjects should write for
catalogue. The Normal diploma
is a life state certificate to teach.
Cost of attending school is small.
For further information or cat-
alogue address, W. S. Deamant,
President.

JUST WHAT YOU WANT.

There can be no absolute priv-
ate title to land. All private tit-
les, whether called fee simple or
otherwise, are and must be subor-
dinate to the public title. The
Socialist Party tries to prevent
land from being used for the pur-
pose of exploitation and specula-
tion. It demands the collective
possession, control or manage-
ment of land to whatever extent
may be necessary to attain that
end. It is not opposed to occupa-
tion and possession of land by
those using it in a useful and
bona fide manner without ex-
clusion of others. It is not opposed
to National Socialist platform.

THE FLOOD.

The rain of last week resulted in
fearful havoc in the low lands
and river valleys. The rain was
general, and small rivers that usu-
ally do but little damage spread
over much territory, destroying
life and property.

The Meramec river spread over
the suburbs of St. Louis for seven-
ty square miles, and the water
was from ten to twenty feet deep.
The rise was rapid and many lives
were lost—to say nothing of the
thousands driven from home.

Black river in Butler county be-
came ten or more miles wide. At
Newport, Ark., the 5,000 inhabi-
tants were forced into the court
house and the two large hotels
of the city by the rapid rise of
white river. The water was from
5 to ten feet deep over the city
with a scant food supply and all
communication cut off. Four are
reported drowned at Newport.

Reports from Cairo are meager.
And so the story goes through-
out the Mississippi valley. The
damage to crops is enormous. The
Mississippi river is at its highest
since 1912, and is flowing over
the enormous corn crops of Big
Island, below Commerce.

Trains are running irregular.
Frisco trains go from Cape to St.
Louis over the Thebes bridge and
Cotton Belt tracks on the Illinois
side, and the train that runs by
Freemont now goes via Chaffee.

HERE AND YONDER.

The storm that swept over Gal-
veston, Texas, last week, was
much more severe than the early
reports indicated. Not only Gal-
veston, but Houston, Texas City,
Virginia Point and other places
suffered great loss of life and prop-
erty. It seems that the afflicted
points could not be reached by
wire while the storm was raging.
Later reports give the loss of life
at from between three and four
hundred, and the property dam-
age at fifteen million dollars. A
thousand feet of the sea wall at
Galveston, built to protect the
city, was swept away, and 500
houses are reported destroyed.

During the rain storm, early
Friday morning of last week the
Robinson show was being loaded
on cars at Cape Girardeau. As-
sistant Superintendent C. R. For-
nelt of Chaffee was there direct-
ing the work. An overhead electric
wire was dislodged and struck
Jordan and a pair of mules.
Jordan was knocked unconscious
and the mules instantly killed.

Two 17-year-old Poplar Bluff
boys, attracted by the glamor of
circus life, applied to the boss of
Robinson's show for a job. They
got it, and by the time they had
helped to pack up at Poplar Bluff
and reached Cape Girardeau they
had enough. The work is very
heavy and rapid at its best, but
in the rain it is fierce.

Henry Kraft was here Monday
and says the water in the North
at near Cape was nearly waist
deep in the corn fields last week.
However, the water has disap-
peared and no great damage was
done to corn there, and only slight
damage to early peas.

G. W. Minter of near Benton and
Mrs. Cora Hooper of Buft's, Ill.,
were married at Marion, Illinois
on Sunday, Aug. 15. They arrived
here last week and some of the
boys threatened a charivari, but
up to Monday nothing had hap-
pened.

Any old Rube can get his name
in the daily papers now. Let him
declare that the United States is
negligent in not preparing for war
and the papers will tell about it
and picture him as a "most promi-
nent and influential citizen."

Miss Catherine Ziegler wrote
from St. Louis last week that, after
an absence of two years, she
will visit at New Hamburg this
week and wants to locate her
mother, Mrs. Magdaline Ziegler.
She will find her about Oran.

W. J. Worsley and wife, Frank
Marshall and the Misses Mamie
Allen and Lucy Brunnett all of
Commerce, were out joy-riding
Sunday and stopped for a while
to chat with the Kicker.

County School Superintendent
Montgomery has arranged an in-
teresting program for the School
Board Convention to be held here
Saturday, August 28, and a large
attendance is expected.

Going down Benton hill on his
way to Blodgett, Joe Westrich
found a pair of spectacles Satur-
day. He turned them over to the
Kicker and Monday Jerry Minter
the owner, called for them.

Drs. Pollock and Brown came up
from Campbell Saturday expect-
ing to take off the hand of Mr.
Lottin, who is suffering from
cancer, but they decided the hand
could be saved.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Oliver of
Hooe district were Kicker callers
Tuesday. Mr. Oliver says his
home was entered on the 14th
and a \$20 bill and some other ar-
ticles taken.

Tony struck of Jonesboro, Ark.,
wrote that the family are all well
and J. C. Wilson complains that he
can't get along without the Kick-
er and separates himself from an-
other dollar.

W. W. Rasher of near Farnfeld was
in Benton Monday with his hand in a
sling. While working he mashed
one of his fingers. He reported A.
H. Westerwelle as down with ty-
phoid fever.

Gustave Hilleman, the Illinois
truck farmer, came in Wednesday
and delivered to the Kicker a fine
bag of apples sent by Henry Roth
of the Macedonia neighborhood.

The picnic at New Hamburg
Wednesday was a hummer. The
crowd was one of the largest ever
gathered there and very orderly.

If you are a tenant farmer and
have not yet joined the Land
League, you should do so. Alone
you can do nothing.

C. R. Smith of near Farnfeld was
here Monday and reports much
damage to the corn crop in his
neighborhood.

Sol Diebold of New Hamburg,
and Mrs. Lena Littlefield of St.
Louis attended church here Sun-

day.
Wm. Treinen bought the T. P.
Stone residence property for \$2-
400 and will locate here.
Ship us your wool and hides.
Farmers Co-Operative Exchange
Co., 404, N. First St., St. Louis, Mo.

FROM NEW HAMBURG.
Mike and Leo Welter and fam-
ily and Jos. Diebold of Kelso, and
Mrs. Albert Pobst of Allenville,
and Miss Christine Essner of Ellis
district attended church here Sun-
day.

After a weeks visit with her
parents Miss Mary Hoefler re-
turned to St. Louis Sunday night
accompanied by her sister, Miss
Bertha.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dumey and
little daughter, Anita, and Aug-
ust Glaus and family Sunday
with the family of Martin Glas-
tetter.

John Gerst, Ben Westrich and
Gregor Glastetter spent Sunday
with their friend, Philip Legrand.
Several from here attended the
sale of Wm. Trienens of Sandy-
woods Saturday.

John Dirnberger, Sr., returned
from a visit to Joliet, Ill., last
week.
Zeno Oswin and Linus Dumey
spent Sunday at Lost Hill.

FROM HEAD DISTRICT.

Among those who attended the
party of Miss Augusta Elfert Sun-
day night were the Misses Hilda
Uelsman, Ella Bretzel, Alvina San-
der, Ida Elfert, Wm. Sprenger,
Fred and Emil Sprenger, Claude
Whalen, Walter and Elmer Uels-
man, Henry and Fred Sander and
Fred Kussmaul. All report a good
time.

Fritz Bretzel and daughter, Miss
Ella, and Miss Amanda Koch took
dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Paul El-
fert.

Miss Eva Bretzel spent Sun-
day and Monday with Miss Alvina
Sander.

Miss Alvina Sander spent last
week with Mrs. L. E. Tucker, at
Illmo.

Miss Lola Weaver, who has been
at home sick, has returned to Il-
mo.

Mrs. Wm. Uelsman fell and
broke her arm last Wednesday.
The mission feast at the Luth-
eran church was well attended.
Martin Sander and wife Sunday-
ed at the Cape.

FROM DIVIDING RIDGE.
Thursday of last week Mrs.
Wm. Uelsman left the house to
get a bucket of water. She slipped
on a board wet from rain, and
slipped and fell and broke her left
arm.

Very little clover hulling has
been done in this community on
account of rain. The seed has also
been badly damaged by the rain.
A very large crowd was in at-
tendance at the Mission Feast of
the Lutheran church at Ilmo.

J. H. Belwagert is remodeling
the dwelling on the farm he re-
cently purchased of R. W. Taylor.
Hugh and Charley Finley are
here from St. Louis visiting rela-
tives and friends.

The Cape Bluff team played the
Ilmo team Sunday and got licked
to the tune of 12 to 2.

Wm. Meneke and daughter, Miss
Dena, have gone to the springs for
health.

Wind and rain did much dam-
age to fruit and corn last week.

Several from here attended the
Home Corners at Jackson.

"Senator, you promised me a
job."

"But there are no jobs."

"I need a job, senator."

"Well, I'll ask for a commission
to investigate as to why there
are no jobs and you can get a job
on that."—Louisville Courier-Jour-

FROM MORLEY.

Dr. James Swain decided it was
just as cheap to raise cane as it
is weeds and he has a fine patch
of sugar cane on the old base
ball grounds in the west part of
town. If the cane is not too badly
damaged by the wind Doc ex-
pects to have some 'lasses.

The melon business is nearing a
close and people are now turning
their attention to plowing for
wheat and taking care of their
peas, some of which will soon be
ready to harvest.

Mrs. J. E. Congleton, who is very
low, is in a St. Louis hospital, and
a Mr. Stone, of Brookport, Ill., re-
lative of Mr. and Mrs. Congleton, is
reported very sick. E. Daugherty
is at his bedside.

Sam Trieman, H. Hurwitz, Ray
Woodford, L. G. Schimling, J. W.
Seamster, Sam Murphy, W. H. Al-
red, and J. D. Bowman were the
melon buyers at Morley this year.

Rev. and Mrs. Dorris returned
from Richwoods last week where
Rev. Dorris was conducting a re-
vival, which was closed on ac-
count of rainy weather.

J. W. Gordon is confined to his
bed this week. He expects his
daughter, who is a nurse in New
York City to arrive soon to make
her home with him.

The city papers are many days
behind, and a great deal of stale
news is expected as soon as the
trains can make through trips.

The continued rains have con-
siderably interfered with mail
transportation, as well as freight
material is being hauled for the
new school house, which will soon
be in course of construction.

Wm. Black has just returned
from Malden. He reports plenty
of rain there.

A. Clark, a representative of
Ruchman, the Cape Junk man, has
moved here.

Wm. Revell bought a Hupmo-
bile last week from L. L. Hunter.
D. M. Lawrence, who has been
sick, is up again.

Stick to the unmuzzled Kicker.

FROM COMMERCE.

The high water is with us again
and doing much damage. The le-
vee at Wiel Landing broke Friday
and the water is all over the corn.

The Misses Vera Tinkle and Vir-
gie Anderson spent the week end
with Miss Reba McColgan at Dex-
ter.

Miss Lucy Mathewson of Cape
and Mr. and Mrs. Millines of Clare-
ville, Mo., visited us Sunday.

Alex. Huzies is in St. Louis and
Don Wagoner has just returned.
Miss Elizabeth Halstead of Blod-
gett is visiting her sister, Mrs. J.
F. King.

Jake Kraft has charge of W. J.
Worsley's butcher shop.

We are glad to have Mr. Pence
of Farnfeld every Thursday eve-
ning to entertain us with his mu-
sic and picture show.

R. E. Reynolds and family spent
Sunday in the Cape.

Henry Skillman of Sikeston is
visiting Sunday here.

Miss Nellie Stroud entertained
Saturday evening in honor of her
guests, the Misses Bondurants of
St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stricker of
Charleston spent Sunday here.

Mrs. Hattie Bondurant and Mar-
gie Moore are sick.

Mrs. Susan Gaither is still very
sick.

TO THE FARMERS OF

SCOTT COUNTY:
Why give your wheat away
when you can get the top price
for same by shipping to us? If
you need sacks, write us and we
will give you full information
how to ship and what the market
is. Address,
Farmers Co-Operative Exchange
Co., 404, N. First St., St. Louis, Mo.

FROM ORAN.

Barney Scherer, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Theophil Scherer, and Miss
Mary Eftink were married by
Rev. Helmacher Tuesday. They
will make their home on the Hay-
den place west of town.

Theo Brockmeyer of Perry coun-
ty unloaded stock and household
goods here Monday. He will farm
the Walker place, known as the
Huelshoff farm east of here.

Rains washed the roads badly
and they should be repaired be-
fore winter sets in—money or no
money.

Much complaint is heard here
among farmers over the condi-
tion of the corn crop since the
rain of last week.

Victor Heiserer attended the
Wm. Trienen sale near Benton
Saturday.

James Foster of near Benton
was here Monday.

FROM MULLINS ISLAND.

Mrs. Martha Simmons of More-
house, Mrs. May Thornton, of
Jonesboro, and Mrs. Viola Der-
rington of Cape have been visit-
ing their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A.
Evans the past week.

There is much complaint of
horses dying the past month. A.
A. Evans lost a fine mare yester-
day and has five more sick and
several others complain of hav-
ing sick stock.

The rain of the past two weeks
has damaged the black land corn
Most all of it is lying flat on the
ground, like a log had been roll-
ed over it.

Miss Lora Evans returned last
week and reports a pleasant vis-
it at the Cape.

Mrs. Jessie Dabbs Sundayed
with Mrs. Effie Evans.

T. L. Anderson has been sick for
the past few days.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Strayed or Stolen.—A light bay
mare, 15 hands high, black mane
and tail, shod all around. Last
seen at Glastetter's saw mill near
Rockview. Any information will
be highly appreciated and if re-
turned, will pay reasonable re-
ward. J. W. Gornet, Rockview, Mo.

For Sale.—My farm of 40 a res
three miles east of Advance, Mo.,
good land; all cleared and no
stumps. In drainage district—but
\$3 taxes. Price, \$2,000. L. Roux,
Care of Dr. J. L. Cook, Advance, Mo.

For Sale.—A good, second-hand
automobile, R. B. Heuchan & Son,
Commerce, Mo.

If you have anything to sell at
public auction, write or phone me.
Practical auctioneer, J. A. Scam-
alhorn, Chaffee, Mo. 28-4t

Send us one dollar and get five
pounds of good coffee by parcels
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Send for Grocery price list.
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Aug. 26, Sept. 23, Oct. 21, Nov. 23
At Benton Hotel.

NEW HAMBURG, MO.,
Aug. 25, Sept. 22, Oct. 20, Nov. 24
At Dr. Schindler's

KELSO, MO.,
Aug. 24, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 23
At Dr. Rodenmayer's

At home Sundays, 319, N. Middle
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No charge for examination and
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Tell your husband today that nothing in the Home is as
important as A RANGE THAT WORKS WELL.

Tell him that Old Stove may SET THE HOUSE
ON FIRE. Tell him to come and buy one of our NEW,
UP-TO-DATE RANGES.

HE WILL DO IT IF YOU ASK HIM: AND
YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO ASK.

GEORGE ROTH, ILLMO



**AMPLE PROOF THAT IT
DOES—AND IS DOING
—ITS WORK**

My father purchased our Stude-
baker before I was born. I remem-
ber having seen it 40 years ago.
Just a short time ago I hauled 3,000
pounds of coal on this wagon, so
you can judge it is some wagon yet,
for an old one.

I use the old Studebaker every
day or whenever I need a wagon.
It has always stood out in all kinds
of weather up to eight or nine years
ago, when I commenced keeping it
under cover.

Charles Stratton,
Anderson, Ohio

**Hauls 3000 pounds
of coal on 40 year
old Studebaker**

In the 80 acre lumber yard
of Studebaker at South Bend
is the largest stock of wagon
material in the world—and none has been more
carefully selected.

The good material isn't the whole answer—it is
combined with skilled workmanship and that's why
Studebaker wagons last forty years.

Studebakers build wagons today just as strong as they
built them forty years ago. And the wagon that lasts
longest is the cheapest wagon in the end.

There are a lot of reasons why the next wagon you
buy should be a Studebaker.

H. A. Osman, Chaffee.

Studebakers last a lifetime

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